

Remarks

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants have elected claims 1 – 5 and 12 – 14 (Group I) and are withdrawing claims 6 – 11 and 15 – 17 directed to the non-elected invention. Applicants respectfully submit that this response fully complies with the restriction requirement.

Regarding the election of species, Applicants elect the "aliphatic carboxylic acids."

Applicants have attempted to file a complete response to this restriction requirement. If the Examiner has any questions, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted to resolve any outstanding issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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